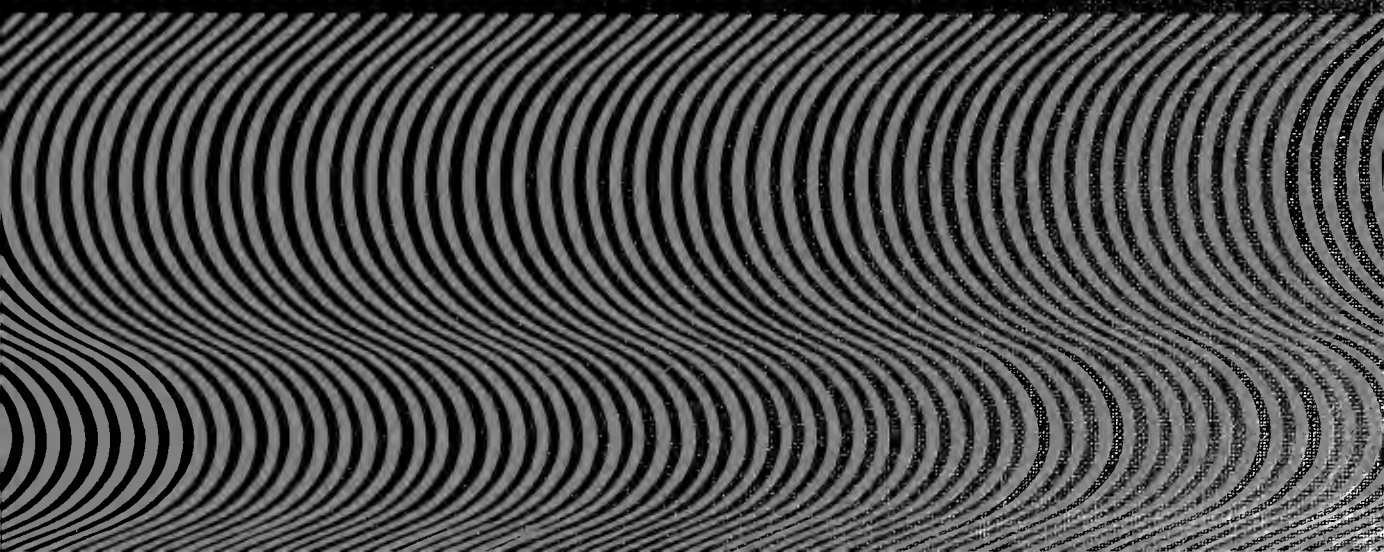


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# ROWAN TECHNICAL INSTITUTE

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*SPECTRUM '68*

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Student Personnel  
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Your understanding of student problems, your sincere concern for students and their futures, your interest in student affairs and activities, your inspiration and incessant guidance in establishing a Student Government Association, your friendly manner, and your intense love of life are only a few of the merits that have won our hearts.

With deepest respect, admiration, and appreciation, we dedicate this, our first yearbook, to you, Mr. Grady Lloyd.

# FOREWORD

It is with great pride that we, the staff of Spectrum '68, present this first edition. We feel the honor of being selected to produce this first volume and thank all who have contributed to its production, thereby greatly simplifying our tasks.

May this edition stand long to serve

each of you as a reminder of the opportunities you accepted and the goals you achieved while at Rowan Tech.

May it also stand as a tribute to the dedicated leaders of Rowan Technical Institute who have devoted themselves to the growth and development of technical education in North Carolina.





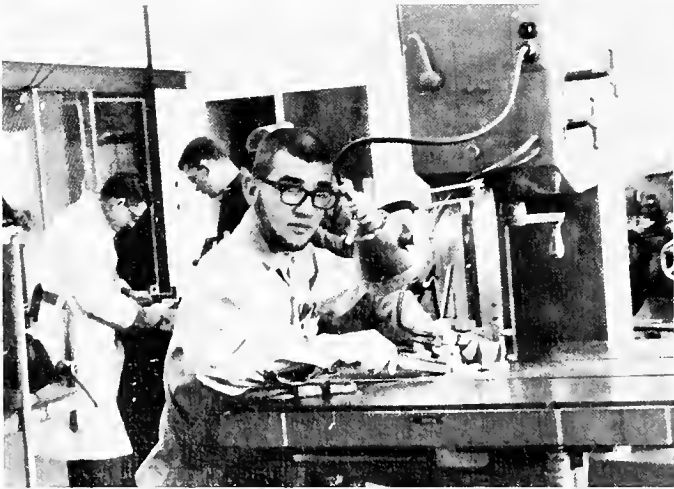
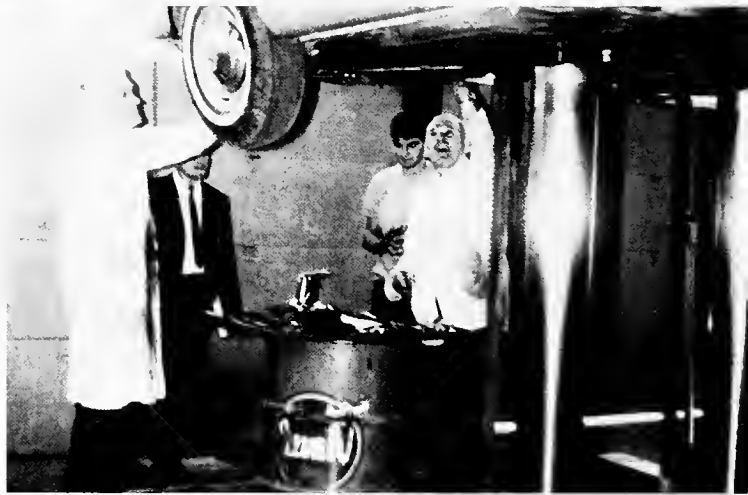
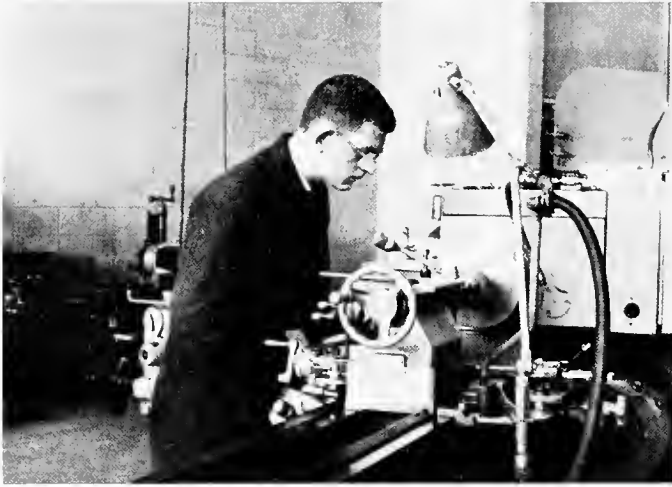
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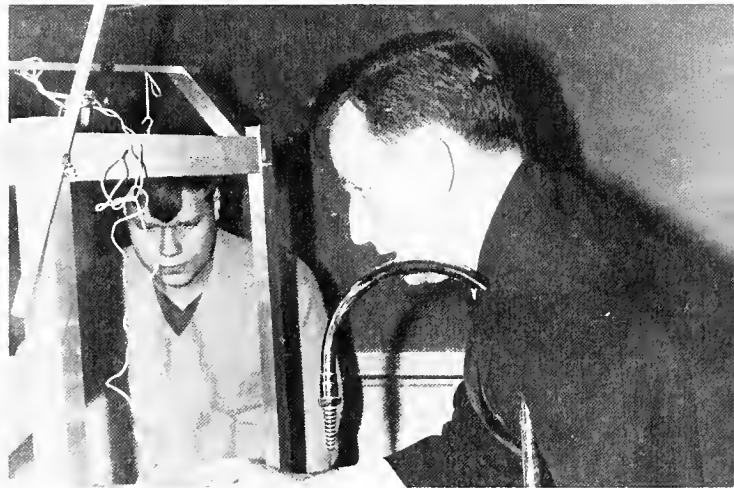






This is our school, an accustomed part of our daily life, a milestone in the achievement of our career goals, and it stands to remind each of us of our days here. Memories of classes, instructors and administrators, academic recognition, social events, and the many friends we have made, all contribute to making our days here enjoyable as well as beneficial.

Our day will come, and with it will come the use of the skills we acquired here and the success inherent with these skills.













The future holds much in store for each of us and we look to the future with confidence as we think of the many long, hard hours of preparation that we have spent during our study at Rowan Tech. We realize that from here we embark on the world anew, but we leave with the realization of the education, maturity, and responsibility we have acquired here. This realization is largely responsible for our sense of pride in Rowan Tech, our school, to which we are greatly indebted.



## from the president . . .

The vital need of Rowan Technical Institute is being shown over and over. Graduates of Rowan Tech are in demand and have no trouble finding employment and advancing on the job. The knowledge acquired and the skills developed become the spring boards for self-improvement.

Let it become a tradition that Rowan Tech graduates are highly desirable employees who are not only concerned with their own educational and job advancement, but also have a desire to assist their fellowmen.

Student activities, intramural sports, social events, the newspaper, and the annual are all a part of Rowan Technical Institute's contribution in assisting students find fulfillment of dreams and ambitions in activities beyond the textbook, laboratory and shop.

The staff of the annual is to be complimented on this fine first issue. You are pioneers. This edition will serve each graduate as a refreshing memoir of many happy and rewarding days. We congratulate you upon your achievement of the goals which you have diligently pursued.

Always, wherever your paths may lead, you shall remain a part of Rowan Tech.

We wish you well!

Sincerely yours,

*C. Merrill Hamilton*

C. Merrill Hamilton  
President



## *from the beginning...*

The history of Rowan Technical Institute is marked by steady growth to serve the people of the expanding mid-Piedmont area of North Carolina.

Limited operations were begun in 1962, with the first group of students entering a machine operator training program in June of that year. Following completion of a modern building designed especially for vocational-technical education, the school opened its doors to the first full-time students on September 3, 1963. During the first year, seven trade education programs and a variety of shorter courses to upgrade the individual were offered.

In recognition of its successful beginning and its potential for broader service, the school was designated as Rowan Technical Institute by the State Board of Education in March of 1964. This development brought with it further opportunities and responsibilities for service to the people of the area.

Rowan Tech currently offers programs in occupational trades, Practical Nurse Education, two-year technologies, and basic adult education and provides learning laboratories for extension programs.

The Institute is administered by a Board of Trustees composed of twelve educational, business, industrial, and civic leaders. Its support is provided by public funds from local, State, and Federal sources.

Rowan Technical Institute is destined to play a vital role in making available to the people of the area the resources and energies necessary to upgrade the technical skills of our expanding industrial society. Having accomplished a great deal in a short time, the future of Rowan Tech lies in the hands of its capable instructors as well as in the hands of its competent student body.

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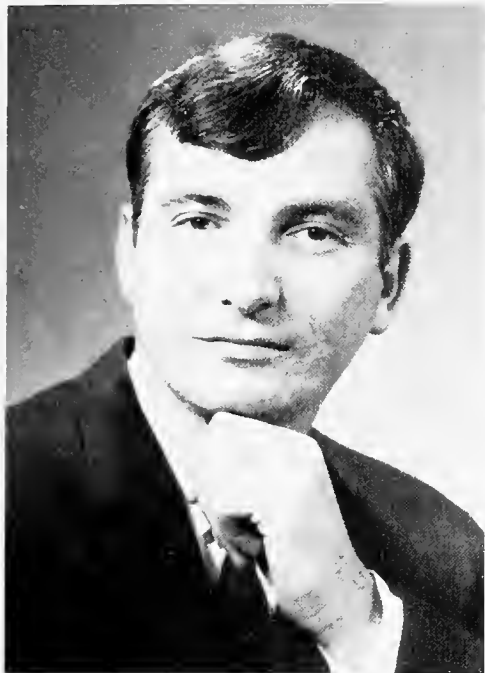
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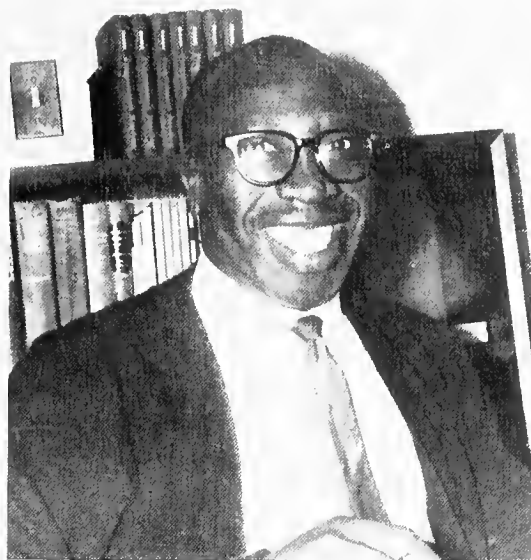
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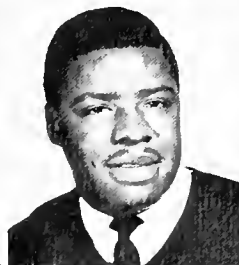
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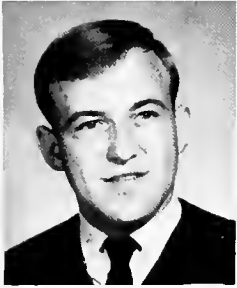
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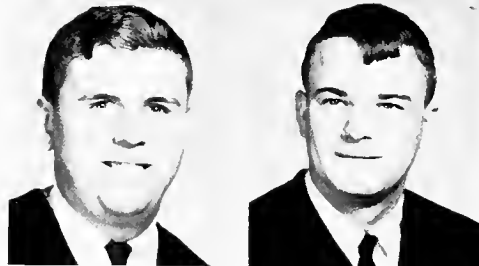
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Realizing the task before us and the brief time in which to overcome it, the staff of SPECTRUM '68 began its work with vigor as well as determination; a determination based on the desire to make this first edition stand long in the minds of many. These motivations have guided us throughout our task and we hope that our efforts will be justified to a rewarding extent.



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## CHRISTMAS COURT

At the first semi-formal dance of the year, students and faculty members danced into the morning hours to the music of the Jokers Six & the Marlboros in the Crystal Lounge of the College-Community Centre.

The dance was highlighted by the introduction of the 1967 Christmas Court and the crowning of Marie Goodnight as queen by President C. Merrill Hamilton.





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Selected by the student body on the basis of popularity, leadership, scholarship, and the promotion of the ideals of Rowan Tech, the yearbook staff determined during the initial meetings to originate this super superlative award. The first award goes to two energetic students, instrumental in the organization and production of Rowan Tech's first yearbook. The SPECTRUM '68 staff proudly presents Rick Leonard and Rosemary Poole as Mr. and Miss Spectrum of 1968.



# SPECTRUM '68

Rosemary's activities and honors include Student Government representative, feature editor of SPECTRUM '68, member of the Business Society, part-time secretary for Rowan Tech, and an attendant on the Christmas Court.

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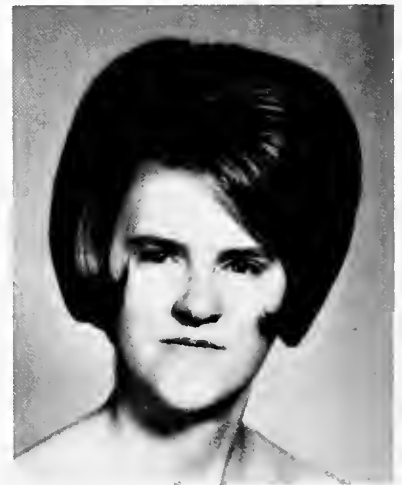
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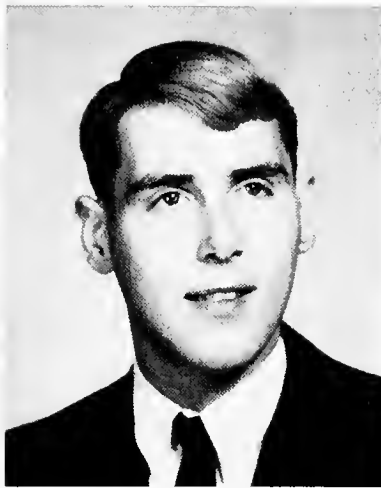
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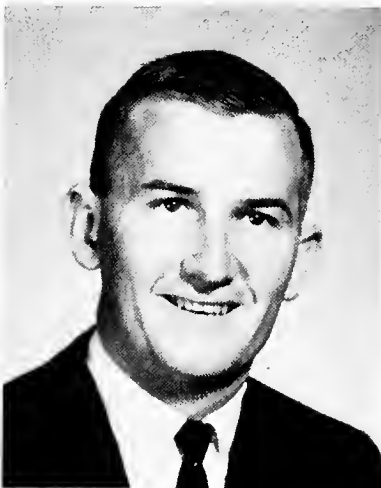
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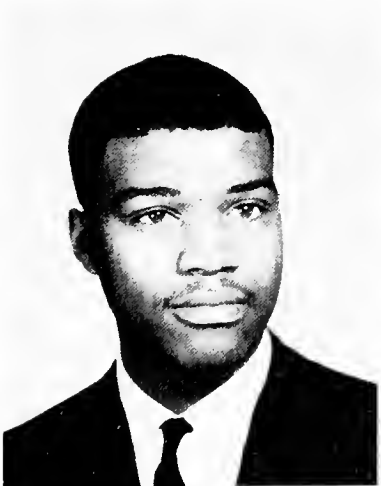
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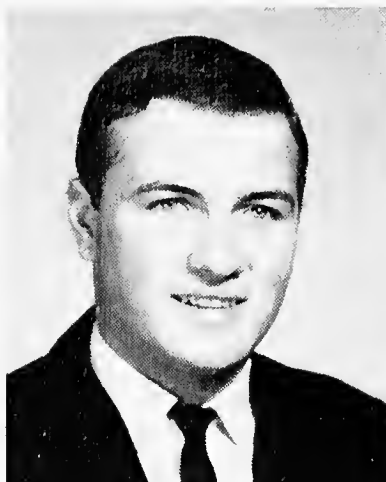


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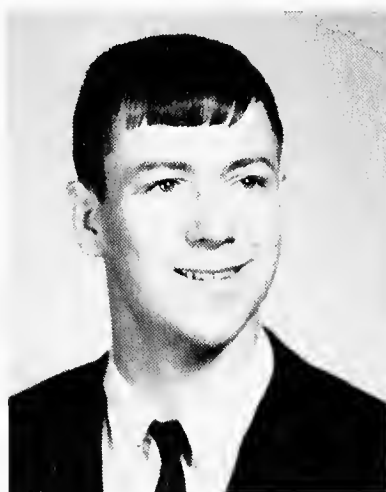
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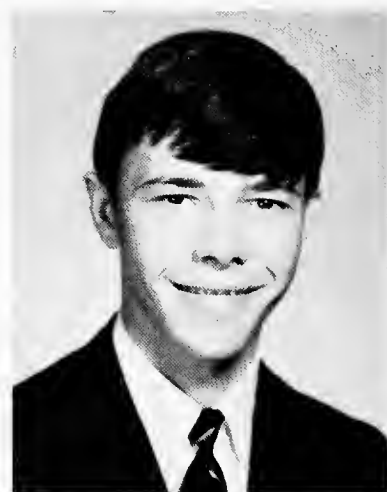
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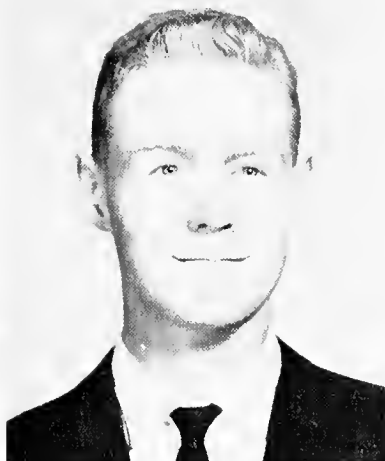


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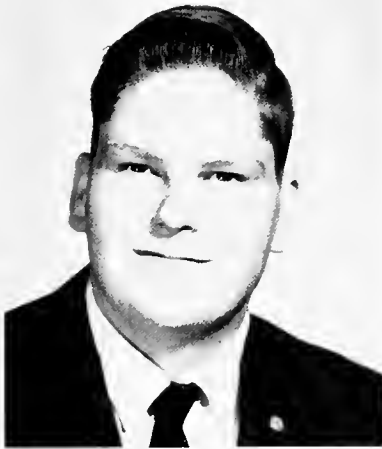
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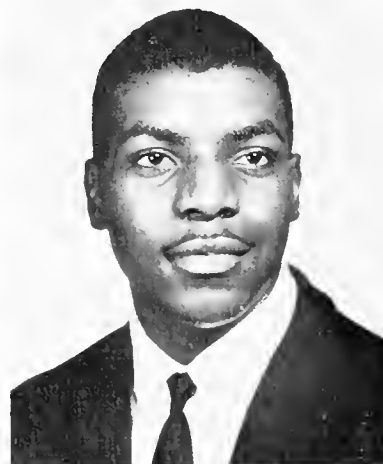
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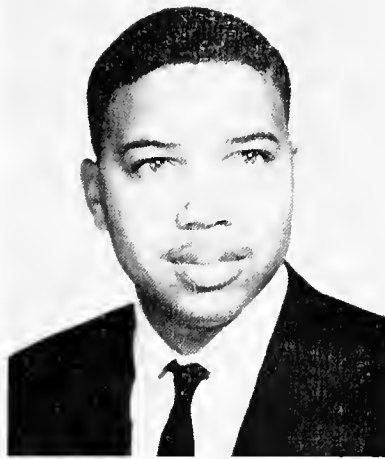
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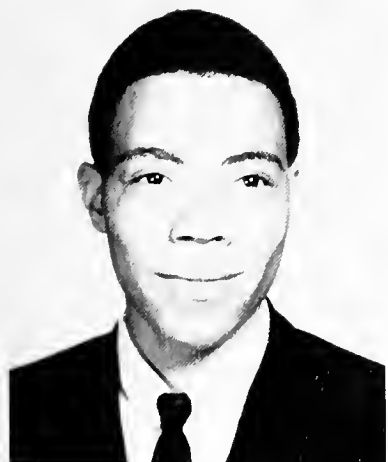
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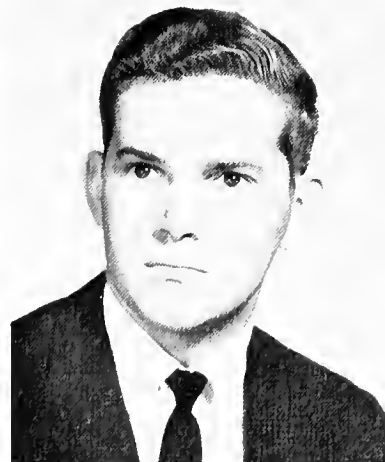
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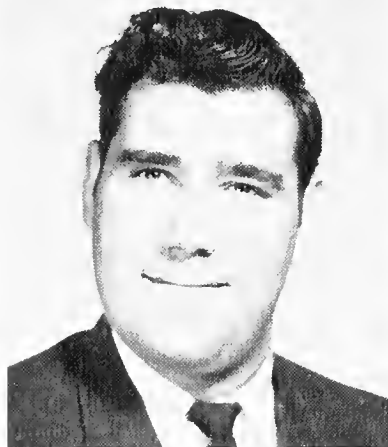


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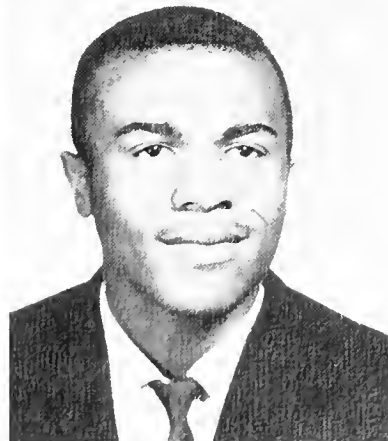
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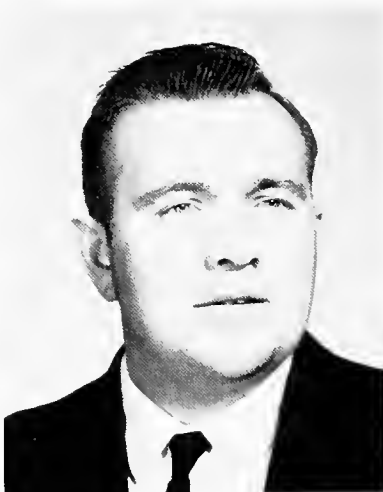


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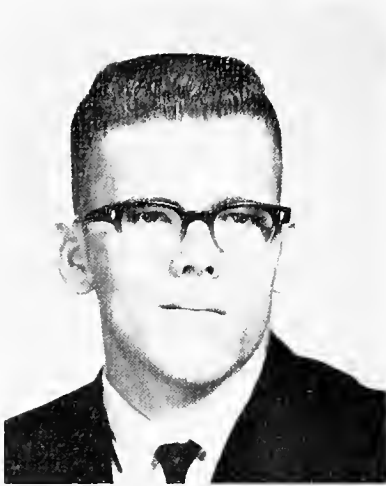
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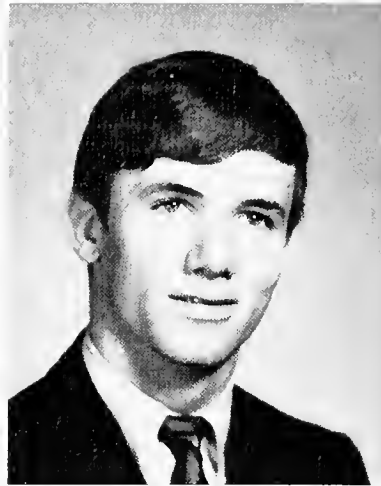


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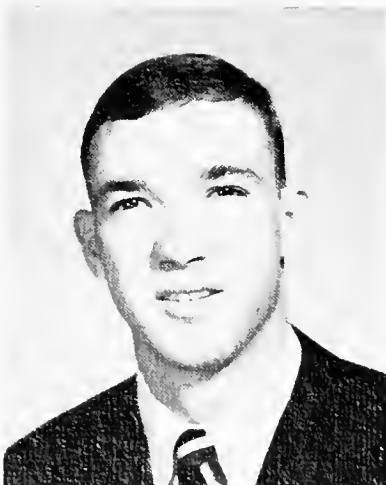
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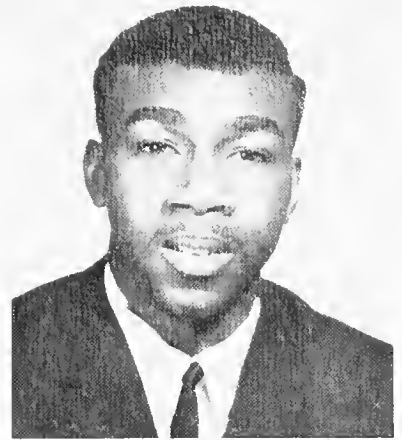


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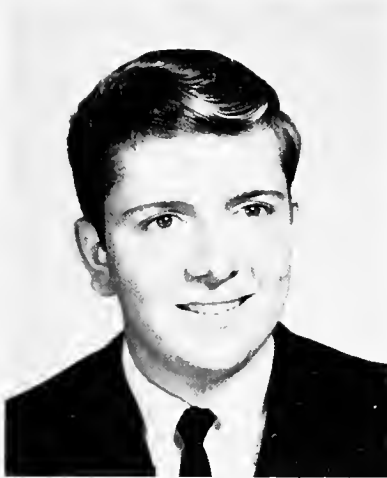
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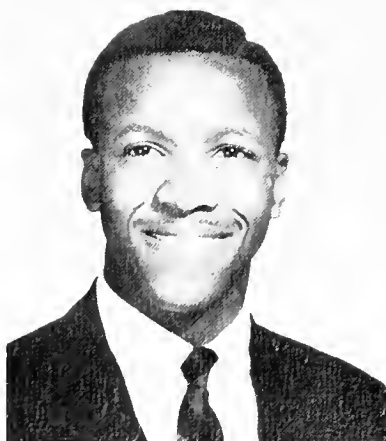
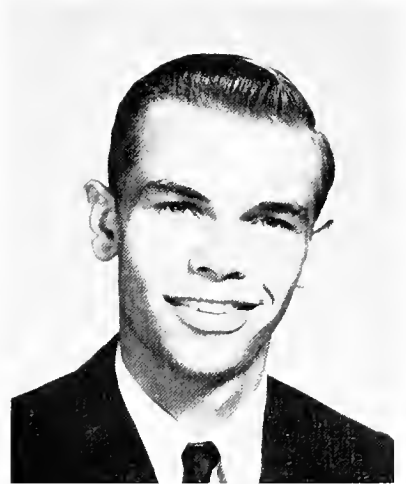


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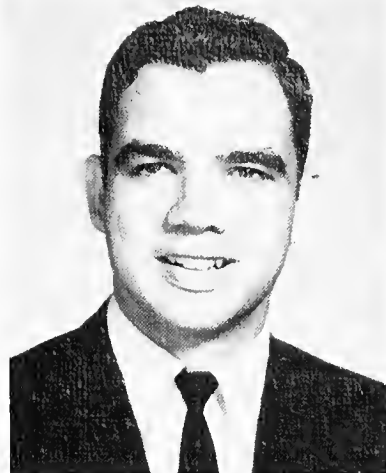


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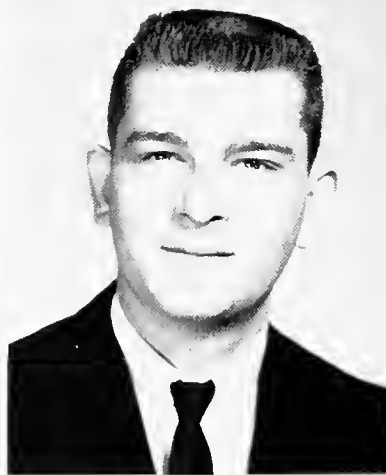
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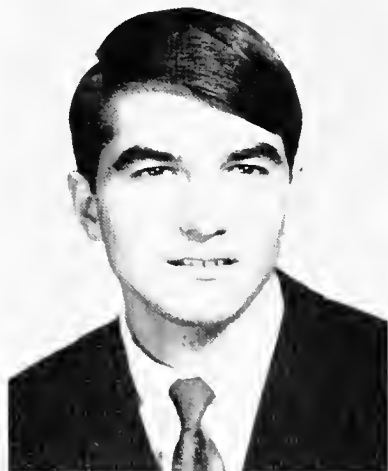
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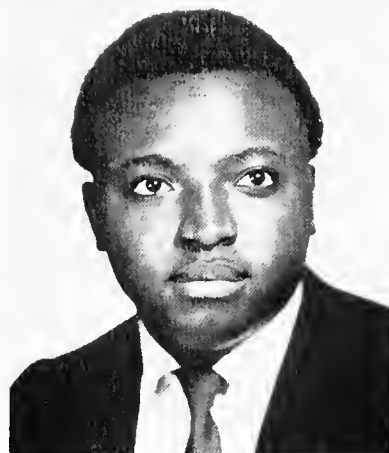


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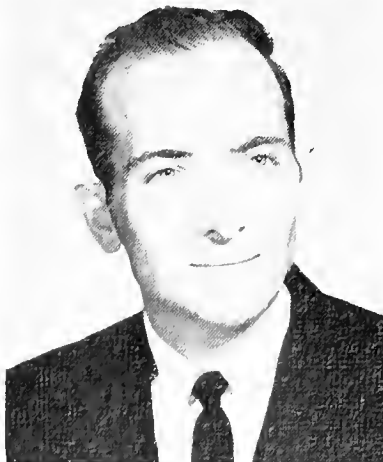
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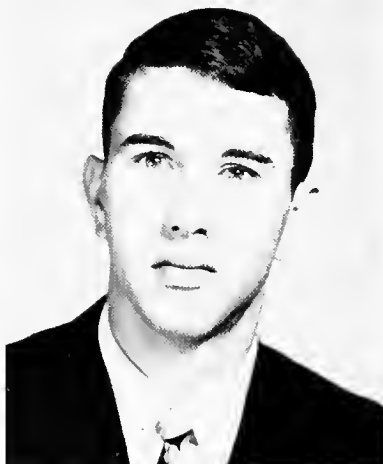
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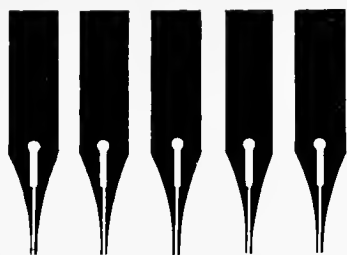
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